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SUBJECT: RECONSIDERING NUCLEAR ENERGY IN CHILE

Classified By: DCM Emi Yamauchi for reasons 1.5 (b and d).

1. (C) Summary: Chile's increasing reliance on foreign regarding the viability of nuclear power and the long term prospects for the construc
  2. (C) President Michelle Bachelet has publicly and privately maintained that Chile will ""not go nuclear"" during her administration, a point
  3. (C) CCHEN officials have privately commented that Bachelet has softened her position on nuclear energy, as a result of a gas crisis with Ar
  4. (C) According to a contact within the CCHEN, the CCHEN has received unspecified funding from the office of the Presidency to begin a three
  5. (C) One of the more contentious issues the NPP study will address is how to handle radioactive waste and where to store it in Chile. CCHEN
  6. (C) CCHEN officials do not expect Bachelet to reverse her position on nuclear power during her presidency. However, they believe the NPP st
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